 Tuesday April 10, 2018

510 Victoria Aveenue

6:00 pm – 8:50

**AGM Minutes**

***Recording Minutes: Akio Brayshaw***

***33 people in attendance with 21 tenants/landlords represented***

1. **Opening Ceremony Blue Sky Healing Drum Circle - 6pm**
2. **Dinner – 6:30pm**
3. **Meeting called to order at 6:55pm**

Opening statements and greetings by Raechel Reed,

Chair Person of the Board of Directors

Welcome Mandy Karfignini

1. **Approval of Minutes 2017 AGM Minutes – 7pm**

from Wednesday June 14th, 2017 - No Quorum

Lori Paras, Axel Rehfus, Brian Schreoder, Ian and Others Left Upset about No Quorum

1. **Approval of the Financial Statements – Presented by Mike Larriza – 7:05pm**

No Quorum

1. **Annual Budget/Board Report – Presented by: Raechel Reed – 7:10pm**

* Bob Tindal Asked about the Eye in the Sky – Jim Hupka – HE believes $1000/year is made available by the city – is it being maintained? Aldo – They did change the cameras Last year- not manned day by day, but can be accessed.

1. **Constitutional Reform - First Draft - 7:15pm – Raechel Reed**

* Member Asked About doing online Polling or Meeting online
* Find Out Exactly How Many Member we Have???
* Jim Hupka, “can people be made aware in person regarding the Polling Booth in July - For the Constitution
* Member - Something to Adjust in the mailing list

1. **CEDC Survey – Presented by Piero Pucci- 7:25pm**

* We need to Change the Issue of Presentation and Danger in the area
* The Area is in Need for New Business
* Introduce Ryan Moore – We at the CEDC want to Help Small Business – Finding Solutions and Resources.

1. **Chairs Update – Presented by Raechel Reed - 7:35pm**
2. **Official City Plan - Leslie McEcherin - 7:40**

* Aldo – What are the incentives? First Come First Serve Basis. $100 000 Program - Maximum Grant $25 000
* Mike Larizza - you need a Permit.
* Aldo –it would be beneficial to Link with the BIA
* Yes; Feed Back is Accepted

1. **Upcoming Events – Presented by Raechel Reed – 7:55pm**

* New Beginnings Powwow
* Street Fair
* Sleeping Giant Brewery
* Real Estate – Lease – Sale
* Jim Hupka – Wants us to Connect With the Clean Green and Beautiful Comity

1. Open Floor - Aldo Ruberto – 8:00pm

* Open Streets – Jim Hupka believes it was a waste of time.
* Aldo’s response is that it was a learning experience
* Jim Hupka – What are we doing about Flowers
* Mike Larizza – Paulusmas has canceled their contract

Presents the cost of planting Flowers and Maintaining them.

Along with the lighting in Patterson Park – $31,200 a year

With the Proposed Solution we would spend less than $9,000.00

* Member asks for us to link with Erin Begal @ Roots to Harvest
* Craig – Bring Tourism to Our Area - Butterfly Alley
* Scotia, Give an offer to Diactive – Get Artists to Beautify the Area
* Aldo, has talked to Leah Bailey about getting Big Painted Canisters to help beautify.
* Member Why not have some Buskers Fest in our area.
* Is there still such a thing as community hours? People can help clean up the area
* Bob, they Usually have to be with the proper organization.
* Aldo, Looking into Having High School Students doing community Hours.

1. **Wayfinding Presented by Adam Krupper – 8:15 pm**

* Member – She has traveled throughout Europe and has seen these Signs,

She Thinks they are helpful to travellers

* Member likes the Idea of having an Wayfinding App attached
* Put them in the Thunder Bay Tourism Magazine
* Scotia - What Kind of material are we using – Vandalization Proof Film (Screen)
* Sleeping Giant has A Nose?
* Craig Suggested that the Signs Are Beautiful and but Thunder Bay is not all First Nations.
* Scotia Suggested we make them all different dependant on the varying cultures in thunder bay
* Shelby - We are on the Traditional Land of the First Nations
* Member – I understand both sides of the story, we are a melting pot, but we are on the traditional land of the Fort William First Nations.
* Craig – Each Kiosk can be in a Different Language.
* Bob – Bay and Algoma area is more Finn or Scandinavian, we need to recognize all people.

1. **Adjournment – 8:50pm**